

COLLEGEED®

Cultivating a culture of **college readiness**
and high expectations for all students

A College and Career Exploration Program for Grades 7–12.



The CollegeEd® Program

CollegeEd® is the College Board's supplemental college planning and career exploration program for middle and high school students. The program provides information, inspiration and guidance designed to help students develop their capacity to succeed in college and in life. A rigorous, flexible, standards-based curriculum, CollegeEd assists schools and districts in developing and maintaining a culture of high expectations.

CollegeEd is:

Newly revised and updated.

Student centered and **activity based**.

Based on **rigorous and relevant** standards, including:

- ▶ *College Board Standards for College Success™*
- ▶ *The Partnership for 21st-Century Skills Framework*
- ▶ *American School Counselor Association (ASCA)*

Designed to benefit all students, especially first-generation, historically underserved and low-income students.

Flexible, allowing for effective implementation within a school's existing schedule.

Modular lessons:

- ▶ Can be delivered in segments of as little as 25 minutes of classroom time.
- ▶ Provide optional lesson extensions for both inside and outside of the classroom.

Developed to encourage student ownership of the college planning process.

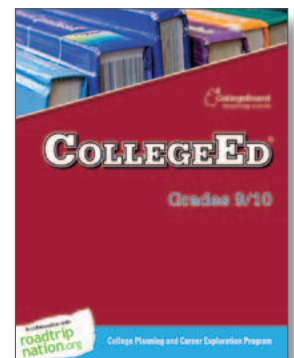
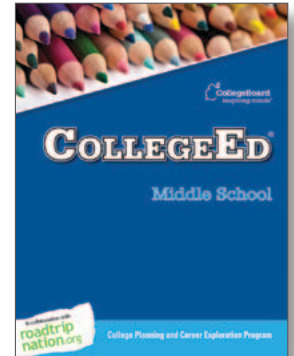
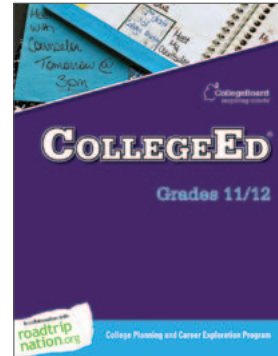
Easy to implement, with support resources and user-friendly educator guide.

A **unique** blend of instructional materials and online resources that connects students to free tools and information on college planning and career exploration.

Implementation

CollegeEd's modular lessons can be delivered in segments of as few as 25 minutes of instructional time, allowing for flexibility of implementation. Optional lesson extensions help continue to build student ownership of the college planning process, both inside and outside of class. In addition, CollegeEd complements core curricula with rigorous, standards-based content reinforcing the writing, reading, critical thinking and presentation skills students need to be successful in AP courses, in college and in life.

Implementation support is available, and districts and schools can work with the College Board to find the implementation model that works for them.



"CollegeEd provides students with the academic and decision-making tools to plan wisely in order to prepare for college readiness and workforce readiness in a globally competitive world."

— Joe A Hairston
Superintendent, Baltimore County Public Schools
Towson, Md.

The CollegeEd® Program

Written by experienced AP® teachers and counselors, CollegeEd is comprised of instructional units introducing college and career planning concepts and developing the essential skills that help students consider, apply to and succeed in college. The curriculum supports grades 7–12 and consists of three levels, each with their own student workbooks and accompanying educator guide. The Middle School level serves grades seven or eight, High School Level I serves grades nine or 10, and High School Level II serves grade 11 or the first semester of grade 12. All levels are supported by CollegeEd Online, with access available to both students and educators.

Throughout the curriculum, students engage with a variety of topics organized in three consistent themes: Who am I? Where am I going? How do I get there?

Middle School Grades 7/8

Students consider the value of education and how academic planning can align with their interests, skills and talents. They concentrate on the transition into high school and on connecting academic skills, college choices and career exploration.

High School Level I Grades 9/10

Students discover the importance of setting realistic academic goals and enrolling in challenging courses like AP while investigating the correlation between sound academics, career options and college choices.

High School Level II Grades 11/12

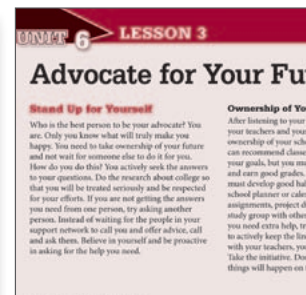
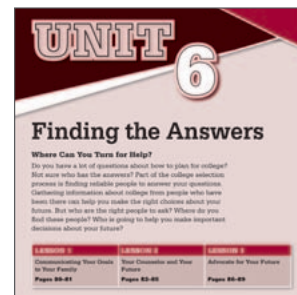
Students are guided through the college search and application process through the lens of personal career interests and majors of study while engaging in an in-depth examination of admission requirements.

CollegeEd Components

Consumable Student Workbook

The Student Workbook introduces college planning and career exploration concepts and then engages students in activities that help develop writing, reading, critical thinking and presentation skills. Each lesson has key features designed to teach and connect important concepts, including:

- ▶ **Lesson Text** that introduces college planning and career exploration concepts, providing context and content links between lessons in each unit;
- ▶ **Work Zones** that allow students to engage the concepts introduced through reflection, writing and presentation activities; and
- ▶ **Words for Success** that build knowledge in college and career planning while enriching vocabulary.

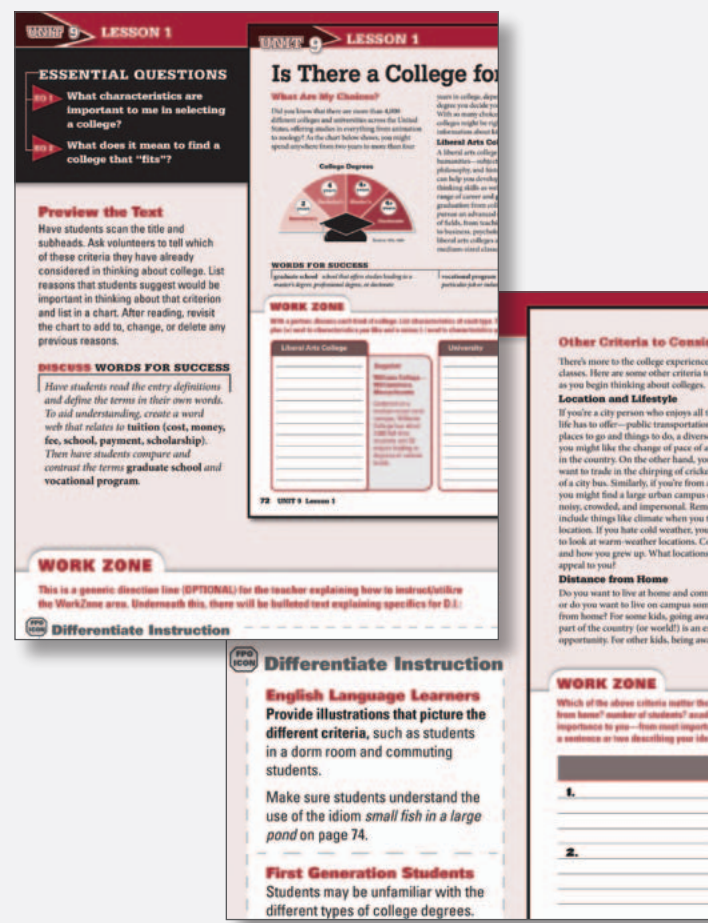


WORK ZONE	
Consider the following situations that many students face. With a partner write two possible responses that a student might take to act as an advocate for himself or herself.	
Action	Response
You want to take an art class, but your counselor thinks you should focus on your academic courses. How do you act as an advocate for yourself?	
You are discouraged from taking a difficult class you feel you must have for college. How do you act as an advocate for yourself?	

Educator Guide

Ensuring that any teacher or counselor can easily facilitate instruction with limited preparation time, the Educator Guide contains instructional planning and support features in a user-friendly wraparound design. Each level includes:

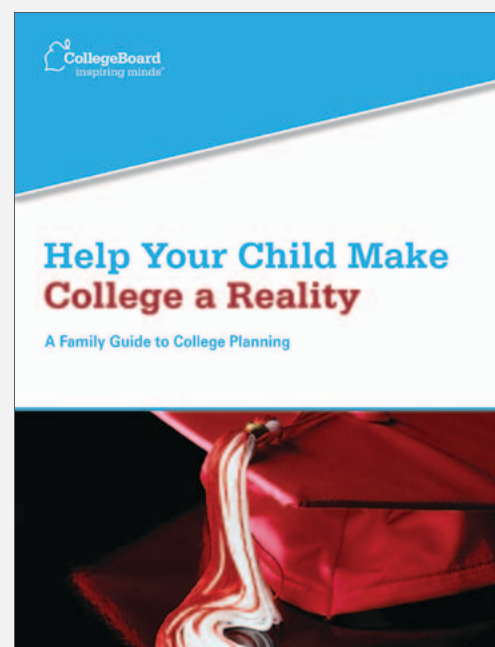
- ▶ **Background for the Educator**, containing essential information about the topics covered in each unit, which ensures that all educators have the core information they need to teach each CollegeEd lesson;
- ▶ **Essential Questions** to organize and frame the key content and skills in each instructional unit and gauge student mastery;
- ▶ Suggestions to effectively **Differentiate Instruction** and meet the needs of all students, with specific guidance for English language learners;
- ▶ A **Teach the Text** feature that provides suggestions on how best to prepare, manage and deliver the unit lessons;
- ▶ Guidance on how to **Monitor Comprehension** and adjust instructional strategies; and
- ▶ A **Standards Crosswalk** that indicates for educators the core aligned standards for each CollegeEd lesson.



Family Guide

The CollegeEd program includes the take-home Family Guide designed to encourage parent and guardian involvement in each stage of their child’s college planning and preparation. The guide is available in English or Spanish and contains:

- ▶ **Conversation Topics** to help parents engage their children in education planning discussions;
- ▶ A **Glossary** of education planning terms; and
- ▶ Information on key areas of the **college planning process**, including how to understand financial aid and how to pay for college.

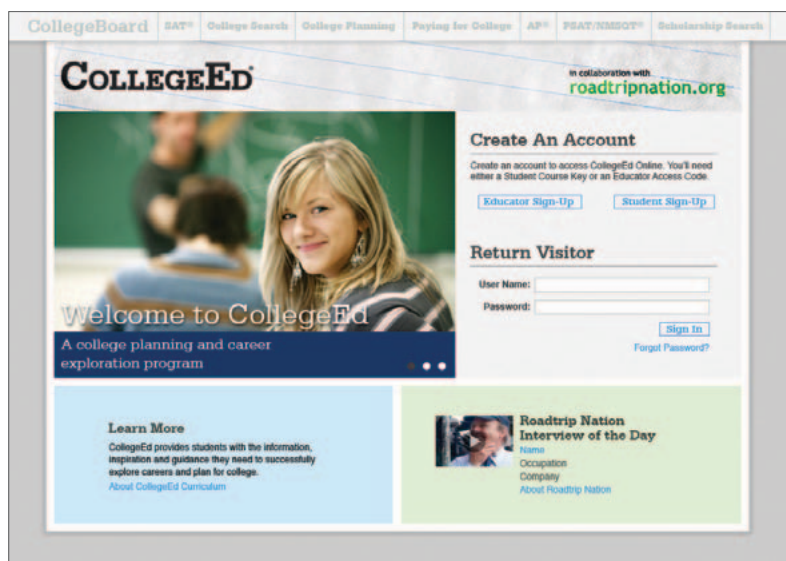


Online Resources

The CollegeEd program provides online resources for students and educators, including online video content developed by RoadtripNation.org, which empower students to explore careers and define their own road in life.

- ▶ **Student assignments** that explore the college planning information, tools and resources available on the Internet;
- ▶ Access to **RoadtripNation.org videos**, supplementing lessons on self- and career exploration; and
- ▶ **Educator resources**, including downloadable instructional manipulatives to help support and monitor student progress through the program.

The robust resources of **collegeboard.com**, the No. 1 college planning website for students, are integrated into each level of CollegeEd through lesson extensions that encourage student exploration and familiarity with Internet-based research for college and career planning.



CollegeEd's Collaboration with Roadtrip Nation

RoadtripNation.org is a not-for-profit organization devoted to helping students define their own roads in life. Through their popular book, which spawned an acclaimed PBS television series, Web-based resources and the Roadtrip Nation Experience curriculum, RoadtripNation.org facilitates self-discovery and allows students to explore their different passions, and it has an extensive library of video interviews featuring individuals who have achieved success in a wide range of fields,

RoadtripNation.org inspires students to plan their futures and focus on the steps needed to reach their goals.

As part of a unique collaboration with CollegeEd, **RoadtripNation.org** developed three instructional lessons for Unit 1: Shed the Noise, Listen to Yourself and Self-Construction. CollegeEd students also have access to additional RoadtripNation.org resources for the duration of the program, including online exercises and the vast video interview archive.

RoadtripNation.org



More than **850,000 students** in all
50 states and the District of Columbia
have participated in CollegeEd.

"CollegeEd has helped increase the college-going culture in our school, especially for our traditionally underserved students from low-income families who never thought that college was a possibility."

— Janice Park

Director, Student Success Center, University City High School Promise Academy
Philadelphia, Pa.

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